



## REMARKS

Applicant requests favorable reconsideration and allowance of the subject application in view of the preceding amendments and the following remarks.

To place the application in better form, Applicant submits herewith a substitute specification. For the Examiner's convenience, also provided is a marked-up copy of the original specification showing the portions thereof which are being changed. The substitute specification includes the same changes as are indicated in the marked-up copy. Applicant's undersigned attorney has reviewed the substitute specification and submits that the substitute specification contains no new matter.

Claims 46-55 are presented for consideration. Claims 46 and 53 are independent. Claims 46 and 53 have been amended to clarify features of the subject invention, while claims 54 and 55 have been added to recite additional features of the subject invention. Support for these changes and these claims can be found in the original application, as filed. Therefore, no new matter has been added.

Applicant request favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection set forth in the above-noted Office Action.

Claims 46-53 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The Examiner contended that the recitation of "wherein the compensation, separately or as a composite compensation, comprises" in each of claims 46 and 53 is unclear and does not explain how the device and method can be both separate and a combination. This contention is respectfully traversed. Applicant submits that one having ordinary skill in the art would readily

understand the recited operation, when read in light of the subject disclosure. Nevertheless, to expedite allowance of the subject application, Applicant has amended independent claims 46 and 53 in light of the Examiner's comments. Specifically, the alternative recitation regarding the recited compensation has been deleted from these independent claims. In addition, claims 54 and 55 have been added, respectively depending from independent claims 46 and 53, to recite that the compensation comprises the linear compensation and the nonlinear compensation as a composite compensation. Applicant further submits that these changes overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Such favorable indication is requested.

Applicant notes that no art has been applied against independent claims 46 and 53, for example. Accordingly, Applicant submits that the present invention, as recited in independent claims 46 and 53, is patentably defined.

Dependent claims 47-52, 54 and 55 also should be deemed allowable, in their own right, for defining other patentable features of the present invention in addition to those recited in their respective independent claims. Further individual consideration of these dependent claims is requested.

Applicant further submits that this Amendment After Final Rejection clearly places this application in condition for allowance. This Amendment was not earlier presented because Applicant believed that the prior Amendment placed the application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, entry of the instant Amendment, as an earnest attempt to advance prosecution and reduce the number of issues, is requested under 37 CFR 1.116.

Favorable reconsideration, withdrawal of the rejection set forth in the above-noted Office Action and an early Notice of Allowance are also requested.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010 All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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